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ABSTRACT

This document reports on Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) subgrant projects in Michigan for fiscal year (FY) 1998. The introductory section includes: a description of AccessMichigan, the umbrella online service that includes a collection of more than 67 commercial databases, the SPAN (Serials, Periodicals and Newspapers) service, and the Michigan Electronic Library; AccessMichigan statistics for FY 1997/98; a state map of U.S. Congressional districts and list of representatives; and the Library of Michigan's LSTA program goals. The first section of the report lists LSTA subgrant awards in FY 1998 by Michigan Congressional districts and includes comments from previous LSTA subgrant programs. In the second section, LSTA competitive and noncompetitive subgrants awarded in FY 1998 are listed by the following funding areas: advanced technology; basic library technology; children in poverty; Internet access program; Internet training center enhancement; major urban resource libraries; persons having difficulty using a library; regional/subregional; and regions of cooperation. The members of the LSTA 1998 Advisory Council are also listed. (MES)

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Dear Members of Congress,

When the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) was enacted in 1996, the nation's libraries began a new period of cooperation and improvement. In Michigan, new federal support for libraries built on the accomplishments of previous years with federal assistance, especially the progress made in bringing new computer technology into many of the smallest, least-funded school and public libraries.

Federal funding and the new initiatives provided through LSTA significantly affected the State of Michigan, as this first annual report for the new statute illustrates. The transition has gone well and the new LSTA appears well-suited to Michigan's library needs.

LSTA funds established a statewide contract that provides public, school, hospital and academic libraries with use of some of the nation's leading information and reference databases, at no additional cost to the local library or to the end user. Some state funding has been added to help expand this popular and successful service. Known as "AccessMichigan" this service is available over the Internet to residents in all parts of Michigan.

Michigan's other statewide electronic services include the Michigan Electronic Library (MEL), which continues to search out and organize reliable electronic information sources, and a digital directory of many of the Serials, Periodicals and Newspapers (SPAN) available in the state's libraries.

The federal goal to provide assistance to those having difficulty using a library including citizens unable to read conventional print due to a disabling condition remains a high priority in Michigan. LSTA funds are used to locate and help those who need additional specialized library services, including children in poverty.

In the following report you will find details of these statewide services to libraries and individuals, and a listing of individual subgrants made to libraries throughout Michigan. LSTA's goals are reflected in these local services.

I hope you will be impressed with the hard work and ingenuity found in the subgrant projects. The libraries of Michigan have become partners with Congress and the Institute of Museum and Library Services through LSTA.

Many librarians and library trustees have asked that we convey their appreciation for your interest and for the support shown to libraries through the Library Services and Technology Act.

Sincerely,

Jon Johnson
Deputy State Librarian

Statewide LSTA Programs - A Year of Continued Growth

AccessMichigan

AccessMichigan is the umbrella on-line service that includes a collection of more than 67 commercial databases provided by Online Computer Library Center, Inc. (OCLC) First Search and the Gale Group InfoTrac. On-line reference books, full-text magazines, indices and abstracts are available to public and academic libraries, schools, hospitals and corporate information centers and the general public. In its first 6 months of operation more than 1 million "hits" were recorded and thousands of magazine and newspaper articles and other information were downloaded. In 1998 the list of over 600 full-text databases and indices to 1,200 journals was expanded with the addition of a consumer health database through the Gale Group InfoTrac.

The Serials, Periodicals and Newspapers (SPAN) service is a second area of AccessMichigan that is available to libraries and the general public throughout Michigan (*http://www.accessmichigan.lib.mi.us/span.htm*). SPAN offers a combined list of the names and dates of magazines, newspapers and other periodical information owned by over 900 libraries around Michigan. Internet access allows researchers to find titles in a single search, saving them many hours in detective work to track down these holdings. Once located, articles or magazines may be obtained through interlibrary loan or by electronic means from the nearest Michigan source.

AccessMichigan also offers the Michigan Electronic Library (*http://mel.org*), which provides one-stop access to over 20,000 useful sites on the World Wide Web. The sites are carefully selected and evaluated for reliability, timeliness and relevance by a cadre of skilled librarians. MEL provides well-organized, easy access to state and federal government information. Through MEL, a researcher may locate information on nearly any topic imaginable. MEL is a collaborative project of the Library of Michigan, the University of Michigan and the Merit Network, Inc.

For more information, see http://www.accessmichigan.lib.mi.us.

AccessMichigan Statistics

for Fiscal Year 1997/98

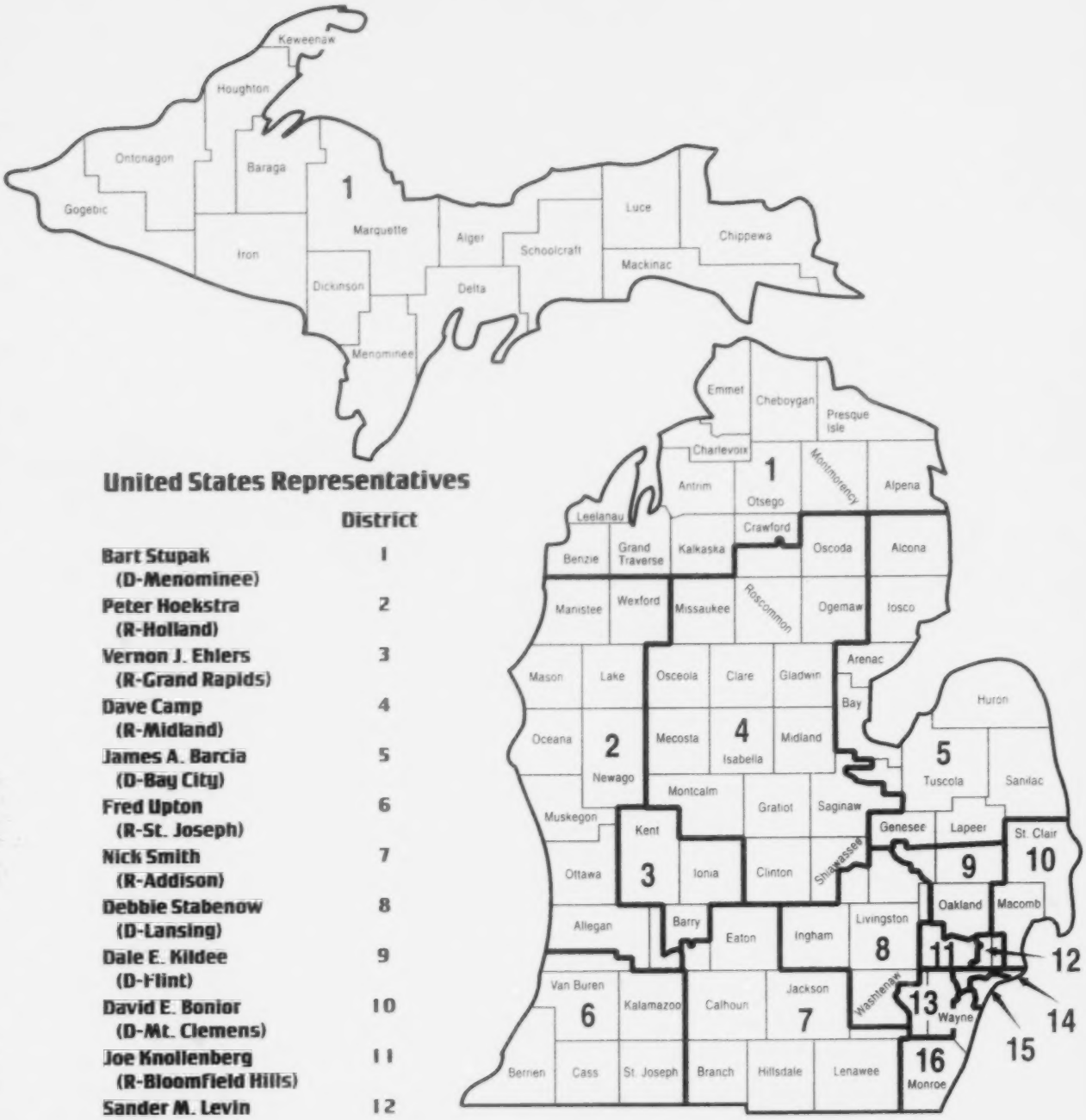
Number of Sessions Per Month

	OCLC First Search	Gale Group Info Trac	SPAN
October	116,653	26,417	2,709
November	106,209	29,182	1,672
December	58,121	20,782	1,537
January	92,317	23,589	1,636
February	136,370	37,473	2,114
March	144,530	40,828	2,274
April	107,755	34,473	1,765
May	71,249	23,471	1,645
June	65,759	13,549	1,652
July	66,656	11,346	1,657
August	52,768	9,873	1,521
September	156,411	36,308	2,683
TOTAL	**1,174,798**	**307,291**	**22,865**

Number of Searches Per Month

	OCLC First Search	Gale Group Info Trac	SPAN
October	316,123	70,026	6,370
November	290,839	85,475	4,607
December	144,886	55,218	4,343
January	228,934	55,300	4,221
February	348,961	97,674	5,106
March	370,476	110,947	4,998
April	317,629	96,341	4,279
May	188,666	61,012	4,108
June	185,236	38,634	2,902
July	185,793	31,092	4,631
August	135,346	25,200	4,031
September	382,597	91,594	6,026
TOTAL	**3,095,486**	**818,513**	**55,622**

U.S. Congressional Districts — 1998



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Library of Michigan's LSTA Program Goals

Michigan's LSTA program seeks to assist Michigan libraries in developing service paradigms that incorporate new technologies and models of service, while continuing to meet the service needs of traditional library users, including special populations. The 1998 Library of Michigan LSTA program identifies four major goals that are designed to extend and improve library services by:

Goal I Developing and funding LSTA programs in support of statewide access to the widest possible range of information for all residents of the state through all types of libraries.

Goal II Increasing equity of information access by providing special assistance to areas of the state where library services are inadequate (underserved rural and urban communities), and to libraries that are working to provide service to persons having difficulty using a library.

Goal III Supporting the continued development of information skills through continuing education on a collaborative basis statewide.

Goal IV Fostering innovation and technical improvements in information services by funding leading edge projects in libraries that will serve as models and training centers.

Toward achievement of these goals, the Library of Michigan has awarded $4,527,609 in LSTA dollars for projects during this last year. Funding focused on bringing technology and the promise of the Internet to the state's libraries as well as to support services to special populations, such as the blind and physically handicapped and children who live in poverty.

District I

Serving

Alger

Alpena

Atrim

Baraga

Benzie

Charlevoix

Cheboygan

Chippewa

Delta

Dickinson

Emmet

Gogebic

Grand Traverse

Houghton

Iron

Kalkaska

Keweenaw

Leelanau

Luce

Mackinac

Marquette

Menominee

Montmorency

Ontonagon

Otsego

Presque Isle

Schoolcraft

Counties

and a portion of

Crawford County

LSTA Projects

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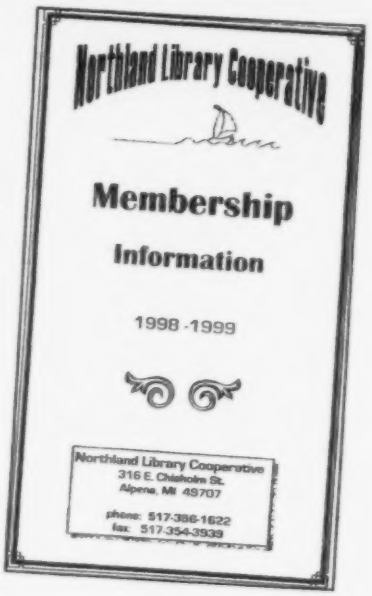
Bellaire Public Library Bellaire	$5,000
Crooked Tree District Library Walloon Lake	24,433
Crystal Falls District Community Library Crystal Falls	5,820
Grand Traverse Area Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Traverse City	16,302
Helena Township Public Library Alden	24,741
Montmorency County Public Libraries Atlanta	11,398
Northland Interlibrary System Alpena	7,009
Northland Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Alpena	16,626
Portage Lake District Library Houghton	25,000
St. Mary School Library Lake Leelanau	13,232
Sulo and Aileen Maki Library, Suomi College Hancock	25,000
Superiorland Library Cooperative Marquette	50,000
Superiorland Library Cooperative Marquette	25,000
Upper Peninsula Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Marquette	16,988
Upper Peninsula Region of Library Cooperation, Inc. Marquette	18,936

LSTA subgrants awarded in fiscal year 1998 in support of services to this district: $285,485

Comments From Previous LSTA Subgrant Programs

"This project has not only allowed us to provide a much appreciated service to seniors in our area by giving them the skills needed to use the Internet, it has also provided a great deal of visibility for the library and strengthened our relationships with other agencies that work with seniors."
Otsego County Library, Gaylord



"This project (purchasing adaptive technologies) has attracted the most attention of any program Northland Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped has offered in the past six years. . . with some patrons traveling over 100 miles round trip."
Northland Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Alpena

"I've read all my life. Without this service I'd go crazy. It's the best government program out there. I couldn't exist without it."
Patron, Traverse Area District Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Traverse City

"The impact of this project on the target audience has been tremendous. It has introduced a new service to young people in 8 public libraries and 5 branch libraries in the eastern Upper Peninsula of Michigan."
Hiawathaland Library Cooperative, Sault Ste. Marie

"The impact of this project has been remarkable. The computers are busy all the time in the summer, after school, evenings and on Saturdays. Occasionally staff would open the doors to find a line of children waiting to get in the library to get on the computers."
Ontonogan Township Library, Ontonagan

"In Vanderbilt, this is the only free resource for the public and patrons to find out about computers and Internet technology. It is available for adults and students alike. This is a true community service that we provided and is appreciated by the public."
Vanderbilt Branch, Otsego County Library, Gaylord

"How wonderful that a small town has such an outstanding collection."
Patron, Indian River Area Library, Indian River

"I think the greatest long-term benefit of the Internet Access Program is that it brings people to the library. Of equal benefit is that our small library has access to information we would never be able to afford in printed materials."
Central Lake Township Library, Central Lake

Kids come to see us
Ontonagon Township Library
New: Computers, Printers, Scanners, The Internet + 150 Software Programs
from a LSTA Grant administered by The Library of Michigan

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District 2

Serving

Lake

Manistee

Mason

Muskegon

Newaygo

Oceana

Ottawa

Wexford Counties,

and portions of

Allegan and

Barry Counties.

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Leighton Township Library Moline	$5,000
Manistee County Library Manistee	25,000
Mid-Michigan Library League Region of Cooperation Cadillac	9,667
Muskegon County Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Muskegon	9,555
Southwest Michigan Library Cooperative Paw Paw	150,000
Southwest Michigan Library Cooperative Region of Cooperation Paw Paw	11,941

LSTA subgrants awarded in fiscal year 1998 in support of services to this district: $211,163

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Comments From Previous LSTA Subgrant Programs

"An educator in the Houghton Lake area has written two books and says it would not have been possible without access to resource sharing through interlibrary loan."
Mid-Michigan Library League Region of Cooperation, Cadillac

"Access for all is the greatest impact that this grant has accomplished for our rural library. We have scheduled Internet classes for adults, parent/child combinations, and school visits. Every day, new patrons ask for help using the Internet. Our library has collaborated extensively with homeschoolers, and the six schools in our district, which often want Internet and World Wide Web demonstrations."
Northeast Ottawa District Library, Coopersville

"The Children's Computer Center had an exciting impact on the children and families served. These youngsters, who often look for something to do after school, find the Center a satisfying place to visit for its interactive stories, creative learning activities and art projects."
Hackley Public Library, Muskegon

"Patrons have been delighted with the Internet access provided through this project. The Internet computer is in nearly continuous use when the library is open, and often has a waiting list, especially after school and during the summer. Access to the information provided on the Internet has been a tremendous help to many people."
Warner Baird District Library, Spring Lake

"Local college students have used the library more than ever as a means of free access to the Internet. Access for them means they no longer need to travel the 60 miles round-trip to the community college to use the computer lab."
Pentwater Township Library, Pentwater

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District 3

Serving

Ionia and

Kent Counties

and a portion of

Barry County

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Grand Rapids Public Library Grand Rapids	$31,757
Kent District Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Grandville	17,278
LSTA subgrants awarded in fiscal year 1998 in support of services to this district:	$49,035

Comments From Previous LSTA Subgrant Programs

"The funding of this project through the LSTA program was instrumental in allowing the Grand Rapids Public Library to extend Internet and electronic reference services to all our 7 locations."

Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids

"The main purpose of the subgrant was to benefit the general population with up-to-date and interesting information. It has given them the opportunity to gain knowledge, the ability to obtain the resources independently, continually promoting self reliance and hours of recreational satisfaction."

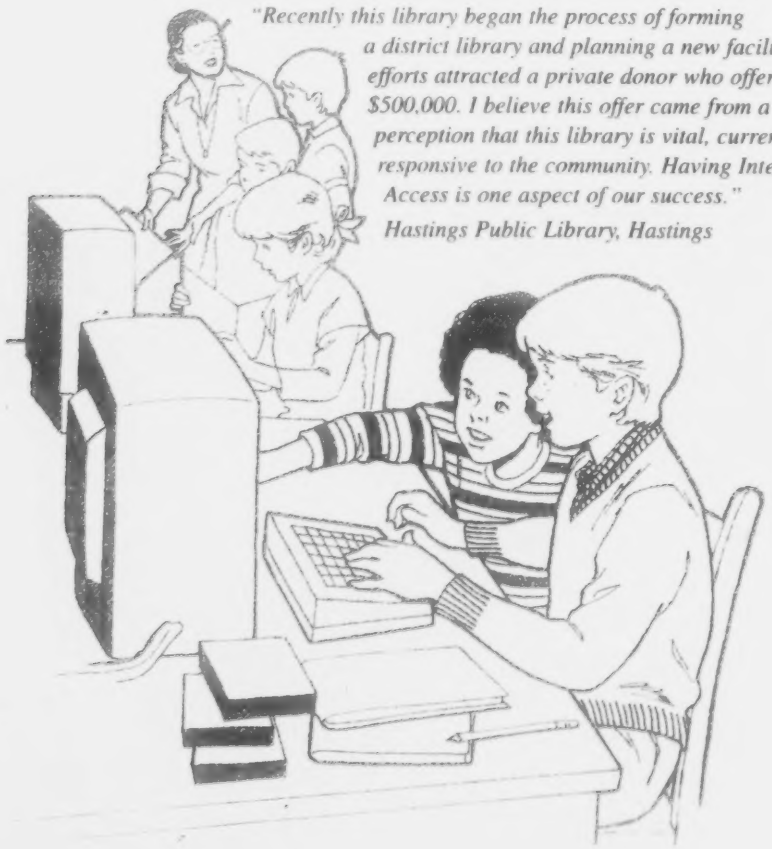
Grand Rapids Home for Veterans, Grand Rapids

"I just want to let you know how much I appreciate your access to the online periodical databases such as FirstSearch by Internet. It is good to see the library is on the cutting edge of serving the information needs of the community. Again, thanks for a job well done."

Patron, Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids

"Recently this library began the process of forming a district library and planning a new facility. Our efforts attracted a private donor who offered $500,000. I believe this offer came from a perception that this library is vital, current and responsive to the community. Having Internet Access is one aspect of our success."

Hastings Public Library, Hastings



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District 4

Serving

Clare

Clinton

Gladwin

Gratiot

Isabella

Mecosta

Midland

Missaukee

Montcalm

Ogemaw

Osceola

Oscoda and

Roscommon

Counties

and portions of

Crawford

Saginaw and

Shiawasee

Counties.

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Barryton Public Library Barryton	$5,000
Big Rapids Community Library Big Rapids	11,297
Flat River Community Library Greenville	24,800
Garfield Memorial Library Clare	21,335
M. Alice Chapin Memorial Library Marion	5,000
Ogemaw District Library - Skidway Lake Branch Rose City	5,000
Public Libraries of Saginaw Rose City	7,005
Public Libraries of Saginaw Saginaw	25,000
Reed City Public Library Reed City	24,419
Reed City Public Library Reed City	5,000
White Pine Region of Cooperation Saginaw	13,563

LSTA subgrants awarded in fiscal year 1998 in support of services to this district: $147,419

Comments From Previous LSTA Subgrant Programs

"The new library has really been embraced by the community. It will serve a broad spectrum of people from birth to seniors where the old building couldn't."
From The St Johns Reminder *2/14/98*
Briggs Library, St Johns

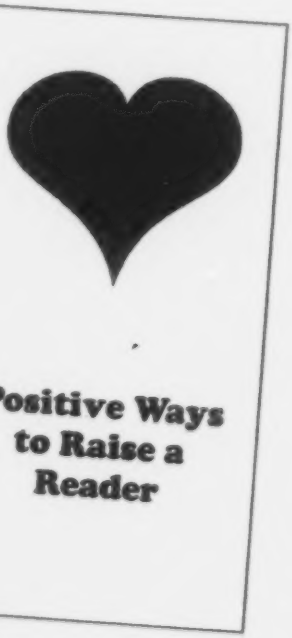
"Installing the network has greatly increased the resources in the branches, giving rural patrons the same access as those within the city."
Chippewa River District Library, Mt Pleasant

"I am pleased to have this service available. I use the Internet each week. I have used the Internet for information on companies, services and general information. I think it is a wonderful opportunity for this community. I do not have a computer in my home."
Patron, Weidman Public Library Branch, Chippewa River District Library, Weidman

"We are no longer a small island with limited information. The Internet allows rural patrons to be just as connected as urbanites. We have used the Internet every day for reference searches with almost 100% success."
Harrison Community Library, Harrison

"The Internet has given our rural library seemingly unlimited research potential and has provided new opportunities for staff to assist patrons with their needs in many different areas."
Laingsburg Public Library, Laingsburg

"I am learning to make use of the unlimited supply of resources via the Internet that were not at my disposal before."
Patron, Flat River Community Library, Greenville



Positive Ways to Raise a Reader

1. Read to your child every day. It is the sounds that are important and reassuring to your child.

2. Let your child see you read. This tells your child that reading is important. Keep books, magazines and newspapers in your home.

3. Attend storytime at your nearest public library. Let your child help choose his or her own books.

4. Get to know your librarian and ask for help choosing good books.

5. Encourage your child to select books for fun reading as well as educational reading.

6. Praise your child's efforts to begin reading. Be a good listener.

7. Give books as gifts. Let your child know that you think books are special.

8. Visit a good bookstore with your child to buy books for a home library. Children take pride in owning books and in hearing them read repeatedly.

Call or visit your local library for a listing of additional parenting resources and agencies

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District 5

Serving

Alcona

Arenac

Bay

Huron

Iosco

Sanilac

Tuscola Counties

and portions of

Genesee

Lapeer and

Saginaw Counties.

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Alcona County Library Harrisville	$25,000
Bay County Library System Bay City	19,985
Caro Community Schools Library Caro	24,778
Curtis Township Library Glennie	24,994
Iosco-Arenac District Library - Mary Johnston Memorial Library Branch Tawas City	5,000
John Glenn High School Library Bay City	14,019

LSTA subgrants awarded in fiscal year 1998 in support of services to this district: $113,776

Comments From Previous LSTA Subgrant Programs

"This is a thank-you email for your wonderful Obituary Index. This is a valuable genealogical resource and I thank all of the people that have put many hours into recording the data."
Patron, Public Libraries of Saginaw, Saginaw

"As a person brand new to learning this information, thank you for making this program available and affordable! The small class size is inviting."
Patron, Mideastern Michigan Library Cooperative, Flint

"One patron used the adaptive workstation to locate cookbooks and was very happy to discover that she could accompany her family to the library, use the adaptive workstation and research her own books utilizing the screen reader to access the Internet and care catalog."
Mideastern Michigan Subregional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Flint

"The Homework Center project enlightened us about an entire population that was under served. We found an increase in home-school families who utilized the material at two sites, Harrisville and Caledonia."
Alcona County Library, Harrisville

"As a frequent visitor to the Library, I am used to the excellent selections and great service. However, even I was impressed with the new computerized check-out system that was recently installed."
Patron, Sleeper Public Library, Ubly

"Both LSTA projects have been significant in helping our library system further its goals as an electronic community information center."
Public Libraries of Saginaw, Saginaw

"Everyone in our service area has been indirectly affected by the addition of the Internet to our library. The library has become more of a research center for our community and, as a result, public relations have also been enhanced."
Sanilac Township Library, Port Sanilac

"The library in Glennie is very important to all of its citizens. All of us retirees especially enjoy the books in large print. The videos also brighten our lives."
Patron, Curtis Township Library, Glennie

"The Library has strengthened its presence in the community through this outreach project."
Curtis Township Library, Glennie

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District 6

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Cass

Kalamazoo

St. Joseph and

Van Buren

Counties

and a portion of

Allegan County

LSTA Projects

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Dowagiac Public Library Dowagiac	$25,000
Galesburg Memorial Library Galesburg	25,000
Kalamazoo Academy Library Kalamazoo	24,112
Lawrence Memorial Library Climax	5,000
Lawton Public Library Lawton	12,284
Parchment High School Library Parchment	25,000

LSTA subgrants awarded in fiscal year 1998 in support of services to this district: $116,396

Comments From Previous LSTA Subgrant Programs

"The new library is handicapped accessible, so patrons with disabilities can use the library. Twenty to 25 new residents per month are registering for a library card. Patrons have been heard to comment the following about the new library: 'it is so bright and airy in the library. 'There is such a spacious feeling in the library.' 'The library is able to display magazines like it was never able to do before.' 'This is quite an impressive library for a village of this size.' Private donations have increased since moving to the new library."

Lawton Public library, Lawton

"The benefits of an automated circulation system are numerous. First and foremost is the speed of access to information for our patrons."

Bridgman Public Library, Bridgman

"When library patrons began to see the updated collection of non-fiction (resulting from the federal grant), they began asking for and expecting that the library would do the same expansion in the fiction collection. Our solution was to apply for more grants from private and public foundations. We received over $10,000 from foundations to update our fiction collection."

Marcellus Township - Wood Memorial Library, Marcellus

"Thanks for my first Internet experience! Was lots of fun."

Patron, Benton Harbor Public Library, Benton Harbor

"Many patrons are now using the Internet for research, trip planning, leisure time, resources, checking weekly advertising, weather information, communicating via email and checking news stories on a regular basis. The Internet has brought people into the library who previously never used it."

Eau Claire District Library, Eau Claire

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George W. Spindler Memorial Library Woodland	$12,674
George W. Spindler Memorial Library Woodland	5,000
Southern Michigan Region of Cooperation Albion	11,683
Woodlands Library Cooperative Albion	20,084

LSTA subgrants awarded in fiscal year 1998 in support of services to this district: $49,441

Comments From Previous LSTA Subgrant Programs

"The Internet has provided our rural community access to technology and information previously not readily available in this area. We are proud to be a leader in providing this service."

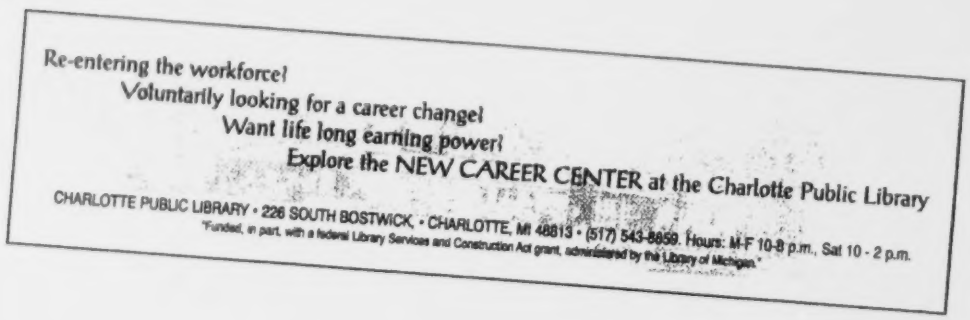
Waldron District Library, Waldron

"The subgrant enabled the Region of Cooperation to mount its union serials database on the web, provided hands-on training and web browser software to schools and small rural public libraries, which helped to promote resource sharing."

Southern Michigan Region of Cooperation, Albion

"The Parent And Children Together (PACT) project has impacted its audience by increasing awareness of the library and its resources. Much of the adult programming associated with PACT has been to at-risk parents and non-users of the library."

Adrian Public Library, Adrian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"The presence of a computer with Internet access has allowed library patrons to obtain research information from the Internet that would not otherwise be available to them due to cost and space considerations, or because of the immediacy of the information not available in traditional modes."

Dorothy Hull Library, Windsor Township, Dimondale

"Late one Friday afternoon, a man came in requesting some information on employment in other states. I immediately set him up on the Internet. With a few directions and suggestions, he was able to research job availabilities in the state that he was interested in."

Mulliken District Library, Mulliken

"With the Internet Access Grant, we are now able to provide current information in a timely manner to our patrons.

Stair Public Library, Morenci

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District 8

Serving Ingham and Livingston Counties and portions of Genesee Shiawassee Oakland and Washtenaw Counties.

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Capital Area District Library Lansing	$27,660
Capital Area Library Network, Inc. Holt	13,035
Mideastern Michigan Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Flint	15,759
Oakland Washtenaw Wayne Livingston St. Clair Library Network Southgate	149,952
Oakland Washtenaw Wayne Livingston St. Clair Library Network Southgate	37,249
LSTA subgrants awarded in fiscal year 1998 in support of services to this district:	$243,655

Comments From Previous LSTA Subgrant Programs

"We expect that this project (especially with AccessMichigan) will make a significant impact on our patrons. Patrons are just beginning to realize the wonderful depth of material that is available on the Internet. Over and over we hear how excited patrons are to find the information they need so easily."

Capital Area District Library, Lansing

"Patrons are thrilled to have the new computer equipment and Internet access in the Youth Services Department. Comments made during interviews range from 'excellent, nice, it's great, had fun, I really like it, cool, neat, OK, faster than at home, loved it,' to 'I feel very fortunate to have access to this technology at the library.'"

Howell Carnegie District Library, Howell

"A number of patrons have expressed mild 'shock' at how quickly the library is now able to obtain requests from other libraries. With the e-mail notification system, one patron was waiting at the front door when we opened because she checked her e-mail at 8:00 a.m. and found her notice of a hold waiting at the library."

Dexter District Library, Dexter

"At least 30 percent of Internet users never used the library prior to learning about free Internet access at the Library."

Dexter District Library, Dexter

"Due to our Internet access we now provide rapid up-to-date information for our patron base. We no longer have to tell people 'Sorry we do not have that information.' Instead we can say 'Let me look that up on the World Wide Web for you.'"

Pinckney Community Public Library, Pinckney

LSCA Grant Brings Internet to Youth Services

Youth Services will have one computer dedicated to the Internet thanks to money from a federal LSCA (Library Services and Construction Act) grant. The grant provides funds to purchase a computer, furniture to house the computer, software, and Internet related books. A special Kids-page is being designed with help from Howell High School Students. The focus of the Kids-page will be for children three to ten years old and their parents. Special Internet classes are in the works. Check with Youth Services for dates, time and registration.

Young library user enjoys the computers in Youth Services

District 9

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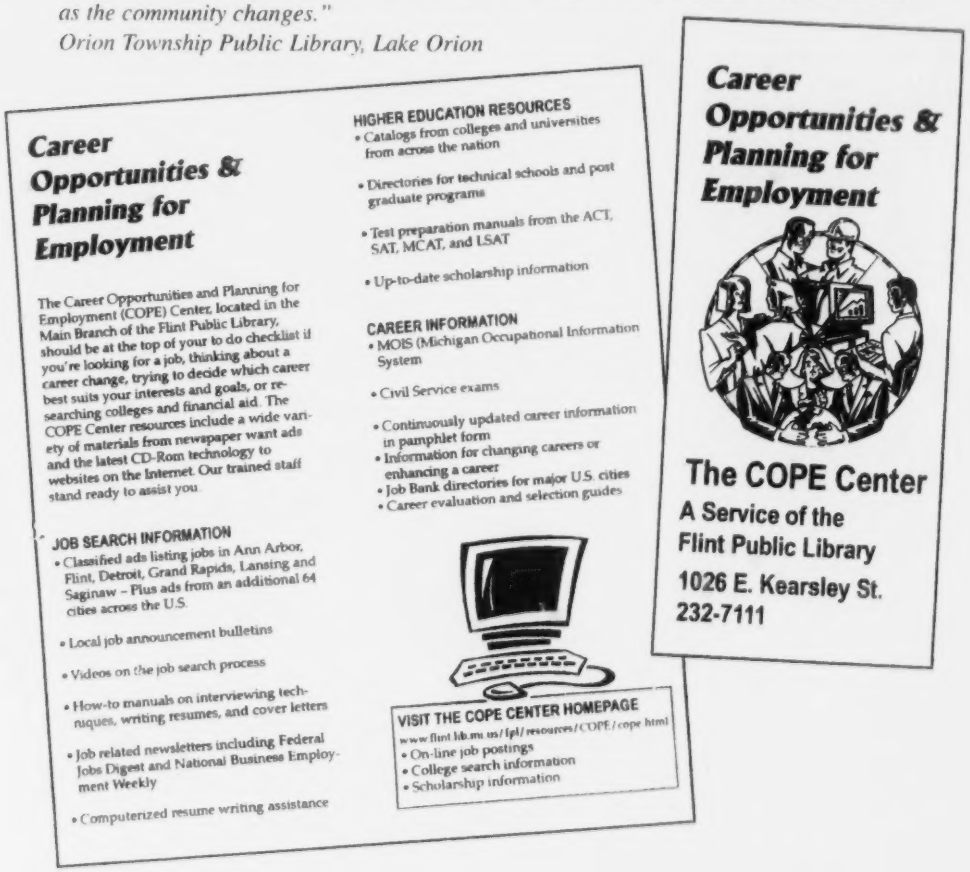
Bendle Middle School Library c/o Bendle High School Burton	$5,000
Flint Public Library Flint	28,735
Lapeer County Library Lapeer	24,978
Mideastern Michigan Library Cooperative Flint	25,000
Mideastern Michigan Library Cooperative Flint	49,988
Mideastern Michigan Library Cooperative Flint	108,200
Mideastern Michigan Region of Cooperation Flint	12,370
Oakland County Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Pontiac	30,597

LSTA subgrants awarded in fiscal year 1998 in support of services to this district: $284,868

Comments From Previous LSTA Subgrant Programs

"We exceeded our expectation of participation by 200+ percent. An unanticipated impact of the project has been in providing basic Internet connectivity and email accounts to Lapeer County government employees participating in the project. This project has paved a direct line of access to Lapeer County Government information. Traditionally local government information is the most difficult public information to access. This project has created a gateway to public information that is easy to use, efficient and accessible."
Lapeer County Library, Lapeer

"The Orion Township Public Library is now able to provide a much-needed resource for the Orion community and is committed to see that it grows and evolves through the years as the community changes."
Orion Township Public Library, Lake Orion


Career Opportunities & Planning for Employment
The Career Opportunities and Planning for Employment (COPE) Center, located in the Main Branch of the Flint Public Library, should be at the top of your to do checklist if you're looking for a job, thinking about a career change, trying to decide which career best suits your interests and goals, or re-searching colleges and financial aid. The COPE Center resources include a wide vari-ety of materials from newspaper want ads and the latest CD-Rom technology to websites on the Internet. Our trained staff stand ready to assist you.
JOB SEARCH INFORMATION
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• How-to manuals on interviewing tech-niques, writing resumes, and cover letters
• Job related newsletters including Federal Jobs Digest and National Business Employ-ment Weekly
• Computerized resume writing assistance
HIGHER EDUCATION RESOURCES
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• Directories for technical schools and post graduate programs
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CAREER INFORMATION
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• Continuously updated career information in pamphlet form
• Information for changing careers or enhancing a career
• Job Bank directories for major U.S. cities
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"Our goal to update and improve our inadequate, sometimes outdated print library was met the moment we received access to the Internet through this grant. Thanks to the Internet Access Grant, the library is now viewed by many students as a more viable and valued resource."
The Valley School, Flint

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District 10

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St. Clair

County

and a portion of

Macomb County

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Library Cooperative of Macomb Clinton Township	**$49,616**
Macomb County Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Clinton Township	**10,426**
Macomb County Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Clinton Township	**19,332**
Macomb Region of Cooperation Clinton Township	**15,131**
St. Clair County Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Port Huron	**11,785**

LSTA subgrants awarded in fiscal year 1998 in support of services to this district: $106,290

Comments From Previous LSTA Subgrant Programs

"Thank you. This gives me back some of my life that was gone."
Patron, Books by mail program, Roseville Public Library, Roseville

"Regular contact is made with patrons as part of the day-to-day personalized service of the Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. On many occasions, customers voiced their opinions about the service and what a positive impact it has had on their quality of life and that it is important to their lives."
St Clair County Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Port Huron

"The (Internet) training classes dispelled the negative image of the Internet. Users were often delighted to find information for their own personal interests"
St. Clair Shores Public Library, St. Clair Shores

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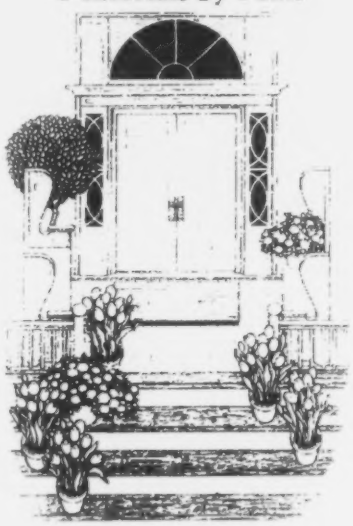

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District 11

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Cranbrook Academy of Art Library Bloomfield Hills	$24,013
Livonia Civic Center Library Livonia	26,550
William Tyndale College Farmington Hills	5,000
Wixom Public Library Wixom	25,000
LSTA subgrants awarded in fiscal year 1998 in support of services to this district:	$80,563

Comments From Previous LSTA Subgrant Programs

"The biggest impact was on the children. There are more resources for them to choose from, in addition to the fact that the information is current, and the danger of out-dated information was decreased."
Redford Township District Library, Redford

The mother of a second grader who had played Mathblaster *wrote, "Since we don't have a computer at home, the library is essential in helping my kids learn."*
Patron, Highland Township Public Library, Highland

"The 'Electronic Rainbow' project had a dramatic impact on the target audience. Through the development of the project, area children and young adults were able to expand their knowledge of art, science, math and literature by utilizing age-appropriate software that not only teaches but entertains as well."
Milford Township Library, Milford

THE REDFORD TOWNSHIP DISTRICT LIBRARY RECEIVED LSCA GRANT IN 1997

The Library Services and Construction Act grant enabled the Redford District Library to improve Children's Services by providing $27,000 to purchase additional books for the children's non-fiction collection.

Many subject areas needed updated materials, and others were enhanced with books appropriate for the interest levels of pre-school through high school ages. With the LSCA grant, books have been added on the following subjects--and more:

animals, animals, animals
art
biographies
biomes and habitats
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crafts
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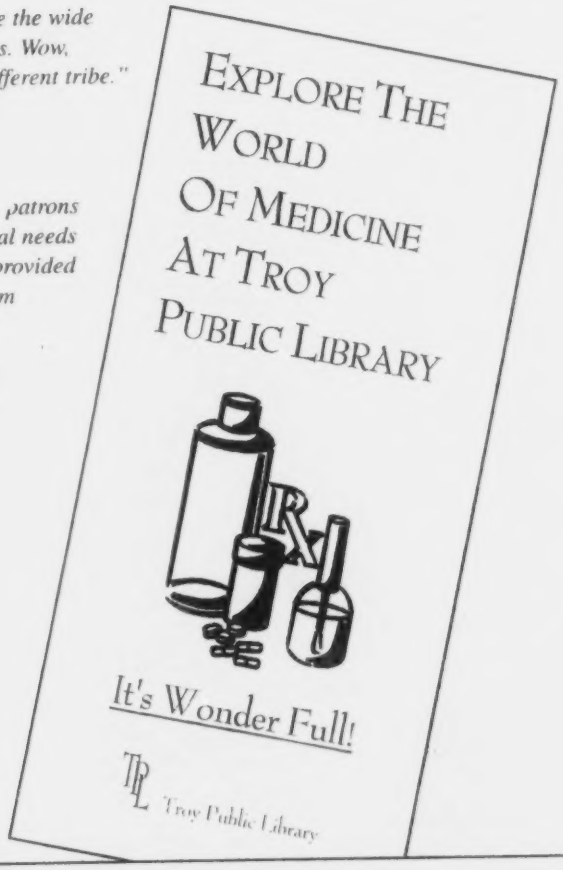
Sterling Heights Public Library Sterling Heights	$27,655
Warren Public Library Warren	28,993
Warren Public Library Warren	17,295
Wilkinson Middle School Library Media Center Madison Heights	24,500
LSTA subgrants awarded in fiscal year 1998 in support of services to this district:	$98,443

Comments From Previous LSTA Subgrant Programs

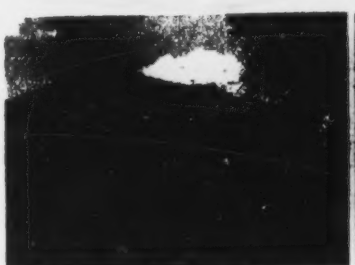
A student said, "I really appreciate the wide selection of Native American books. Wow. I now have a choice on a really different tribe."
Sterling Heights Public Library,
Sterling Heights

"Because of this subgrant project, patrons are able to meet their informational needs quickly and accurately. They are provided with a resource tool that gives them greater access to resources in the local area."
Macomb Region of Cooperation,
Clinton Township



Southfield Public Library

Videoconferencing Project:
John Grace Community Center and Southfield Public Library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District 13

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Ann Arbor District Library Ann Arbor	$27,037
Ann Arbor District Library Ann Arbor	24,991
Northville District Library Northville	14,305
Washtenaw County Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Ann Arbor	16,826
Wayne County Library - River Rouge Branch Westland	15,132
Wayne County Regional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Westland	32,084
Wayne Public Library Wayne	18,416
Western Wayne Correctional Facility Library Plymouth	24,205
Ypsilanti District Library Ypsilanti	22,380

LSTA subgrants awarded in fiscal year 1998 in support of services to this district: $195,376

Comments From Previous LSTA Subgrant Programs

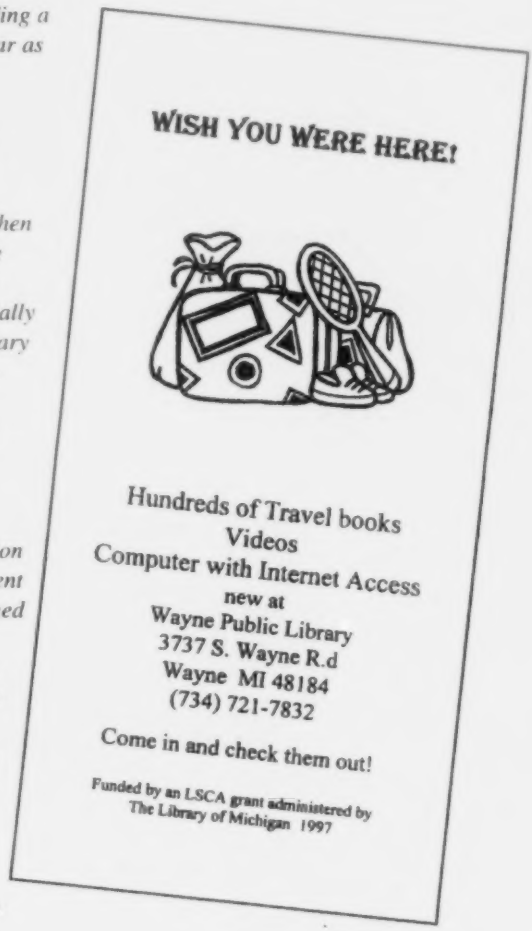
"Our thanks to you, the entire staff of the Canton Public Library, and the administrators of the Library Services and Technology Act grant for the wonderful year of computer instruction and hands-on learning. In 1997 and 1998 over 100 older adults used a computer for the first time, learning new concepts and ways to access information and communicate across country. Without your assistance, this Internet instruction and opportunity to access the Internet would not have been possible."
Summit on the Park, Senior Program, Canton Public Library, Canton

"Besides thanking you again, I'd like to thank all the other people involved in making it possible for us to have such a good computer here at Canton Place for use by the residents."
Canton Place, Senior Center, Canton Public Library, Canton

"This project filled the need of providing a service to our patrons that is as similar as possible to service received by the non-handicapped."
Wayne County Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Wayne

"The impact of this project is clear when one looks at the usage statistics of the public access machines. Growth has been steady, and we have been especially pleased to see the number of non-library card holders (i.e., mostly former non-library users) who have signed up specifically to use the Internet at the library, many on a repeat basis."
Ypsilanti District Library, Ypsilanti

"I'm writing to express my appreciation for the help my son received on a recent homework assignment. He was assigned a research project on a career. He chose a biomedical engineer. He was able to get good information from the Library's new career collection. The material available was extensive and informative. This was technical subject matter and you provided him with sources that he could relate to at the 5th grade level."
Patron, Wayne Public Library, Wayne



"I used the videotapes from the Reading Room as part of programming for activity and therapy groups, the computer, scanner and printer to make posters and banners for our ward to provide visual stimulation and reality orientation for our patients. I have also used the computer to demonstrate/explain its use related to the Internet for patients on other units."
Therapist/patron, Walter P. Reuther Psychiatric Hospital, Westland

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Detroit Associated Libraries Region of Cooperation Detroit	**$18,140**
LSTA subgrants awarded in fiscal year 1998 in support of services to this district:	**$18,140**

Comments From Previous LSTA Subgrant Programs

"The large screen monitors and adaptive software will make the Main library more accessible to the handicapped than it has been in the past. Many people who may not consider themselves handicapped are finding the larger displays easier to use."
Detroit Associated Libraries Region of Cooperation, Detroit

"I am a home-schooling single parent, a student, and a manager of a family-owned home-based business. Being able to access the Internet for a couple of hours a week from the Library has been an invaluable resource for me and for my children."
Patron, McGregor Public Library, Highland Park

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by Phyllis Jose, Oakland County Library

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Port Huron Training Center Opens

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Detroit Public Library Detroit	78,142
Downtown Detroit Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Detroit	12,118
LSTA subgrants awarded in fiscal year 1998 in support of services to this district:	$239,931

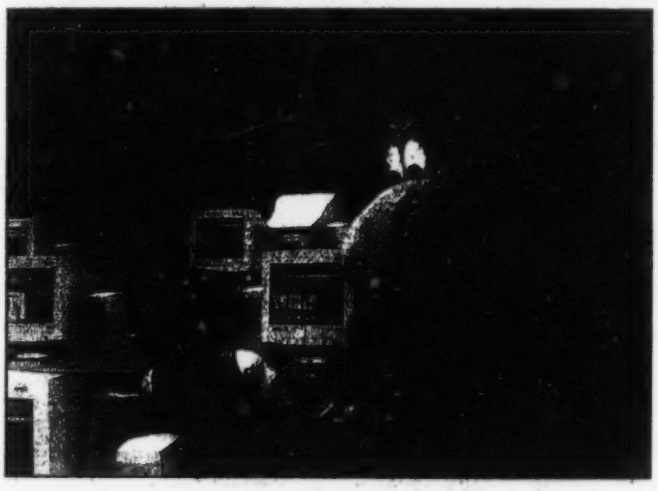
Comments From Previous LSTA Subgrant Programs

"The computer has been connected and used for a number of months. It is greatly appreciated by the patients who use it to access the Internet for recreational purposes during their stay in the hospital and by the family members who use it to access consumer health and patient education materials."
Children's Hospital of Michigan, Detroit

"With this grant, three neighborhood branches now have special material collections that were not available anywhere else in the system except at the Main Library."
Detroit Public Library, Detroit

"This single personal computer has provided patrons and staff access to the Internet, and its electronic resources, two years before this branch was scheduled to have Internet access. This machine is in heavy usage by the public. The staff now eagerly awaits the delivery and installation of more PCs linked to the Internet..."
Sherwood Forest Branch, Detroit Public Library, Detroit

Internet Lab Opens Full Time



The YAK, from the Detroit Free Press, helps kids connect to the Internet at the Detroit Public Library Internet Lab during National Library Week in April. The Internet Lab is now open full time to the public.

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District 16

Serving Monroe County and a portion of Wayne County

LSTA Projects

Every library in the state is eligible to participate in the statewide project called AccessMichigan, which is funded in part by federal Library Services and Technology Act funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services and by a grant from the State Legislature. This project brings the full text of over 1,200 magazines and newspapers, indexes and abstracts, reference books, telephone directories, and health information to public libraries, schools, and colleges via the World Wide Web, at no charge to libraries.

In addition to AccessMichigan, competitive and noncompetitive subgrants were awarded in fiscal year 1998 to the following libraries in your district to address special areas of need in library settings. Funding areas included Advanced Technology, Basic Library Technology, Children in Poverty, Internet Access, Internet Training Center Enhancements, Major Urban Resource Libraries, Persons Having Difficulty Using a Library, Regions of Cooperation, and Regional/Subregional Libraries.

Southgate Community School District Libraries Southgate	$25,000
LSTA subgrants awarded in fiscal year 1998 in support of services to this district:	$25,000

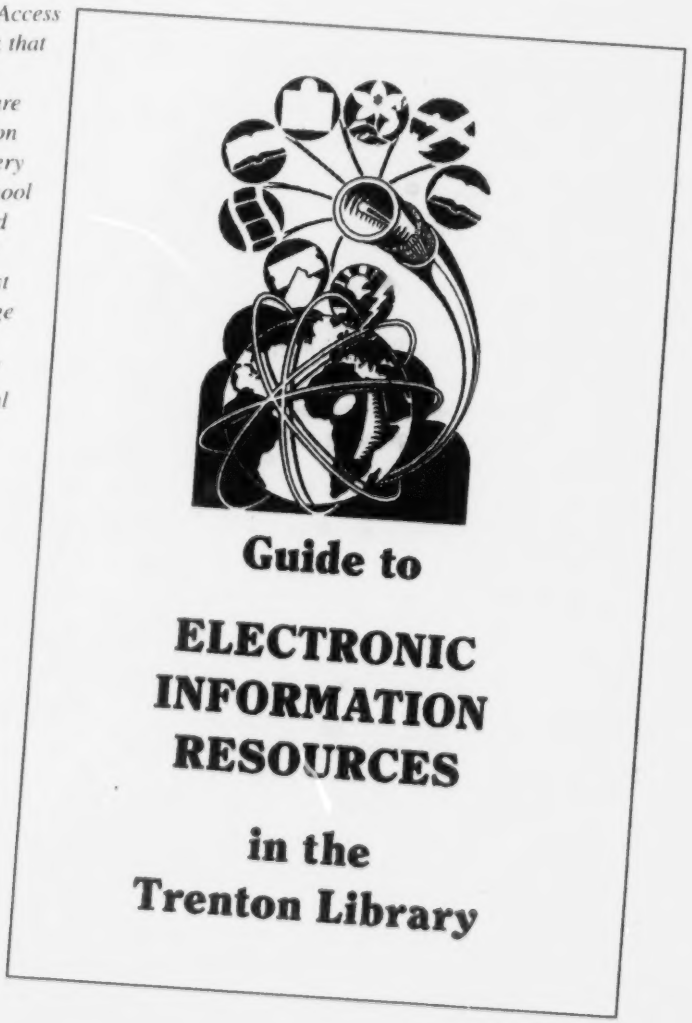
Comments From Previous LSTA Subgrant Programs

"I am so grateful to have the opportunity to learn to use the computer and to click on the Internet at the Trenton Library. The introductory classes were very informative and gave me the confidence I needed to explore a new learning vehicle and e-mail."
Patron, Trenton Branch, Wayne County Library, Trenton

"This Community Information Center Development subgrant has allowed the Monroe County Library System to greatly expand its role as information provider within the community and establish MCLS as a community leader, not only in information, but also in building community partnerships with far reaching benefits to Monroe County."
Monroe County Library System, Monroe

"The Wyandotte Community Information Center is a permanent service that we offer to the people of Wyandotte and all Downriver. As it continues to grow, it will become an invaluable source of information that anyone with a computer can access at any time. We have had comments thanking us for making information, such as schedules of local events, available even when the library is closed."
Bacon Memorial District Library, Wyandotte

"Receiving the Internet Access Grant was just the spark that ignited our school. The placement of the hardware in January and turning on the Internet has had a very positive effect on the school community. It has caused an explosion for SMCC! We have been truly thrust into the technological age and are finding that it's an exciting place to be."
St Mary Catholic Central High School, Monroe



Summary of LSTA Competitive and Noncompetitive Subgrants Awarded in Fiscal Year 1998

Advanced Technology

Children's Hospital of Michigan Medical Library	$149,671
Mideastern Michigan Library Cooperative	108,200
Oakland Washtenaw Wayne Livingston St. Clair Library Network	149,952
Southwest Michigan Library Cooperative	150,000
Funding Area Total	**$557,823**

Basic Library Technology

Alcona County Library	$25,000
Caro Community Schools Library	24,778
Cranbrook Academy of Art Library	24,013
Crooked Tree District Library	24,433
Curtis Township Library	24,994
Dowagiac Public Library	25,000
Flat River Community Library	24,800
Galesburg Memorial Library	25,000
George W. Spindler Memorial Library	12,674
Helena Township Public Library	24,741
John Glenn High School Library	14,019
Kalamazoo Academy Library	24,112
Manistee County Library	25,000
Parchment High School Library	25,000
Portage Lake District Library	25,000
Reed City Public Library	24,419
Southgate Community School District Libraries	25,000
St. Mary School Library	13,232
Sulo and Aileen Maki Library, Suomi College	25,000
Wilkinson Middle School Library Media Center	24,500
Wixom Public Library	25,000
Funding Area Total	**$485,715**

Children in Poverty

Big Rapids Community Library	$11,297
Crystal Falls District Community Library	5,820
Lawton Public Library	12,284
Mideastern Michigan Library Cooperative	25,000
Montmorency County Public Libraries	11,398
Public Libraries of Saginaw	25,000
Superiorland Library Cooperative	25,000
Wayne County Library - River Rouge Branch	15,132
Wayne Public Library	18,416
Ypsilanti District Library	22,380
Funding Area Total	**$171,727**

Internet Access Program

Barryton Public Library	$5,000
Bellaire Public Library	5,000
Bendle Middle School Library	5,000
George W. Spindler Memorial Library	5,000
Iosco-Arenac District Library - Mary Johnston Memorial Library Br.	5,000
Lawrence Memorial Library	5,000
Leighton Township Library	5,000
M. Alice Chapin Memorial Library	5,000
Ogemaw District Library - Skidway Lake Branch	5,000
Reed City Public Library	5,000
William Tyndale College	5,000
Funding Area Total	**$55,000**

Internet Training Center Enhancement

Library Cooperative of Macomb	$49,616
Mideastern Michigan Library Cooperative	49,988
Superiorland Library Cooperative	50,000
Woodlands Library Cooperative	20,084
Funding Area Total	**$169,688**

Major Urban Resource Libraries

Ann Arbor District Library	$27,037
Capital Area District Library	27,660
Detroit Public Library	78,142
Flint Public Library	28,735
Grand Rapids Public Library	31,757
Livonia Civic Center Library	26,550
Sterling Heights Public Library	27,655
Warren Public Library	28,993
Funding Area Total	**$276,529**

Persons Having Difficulty Using a Library

Ann Arbor District Library	$24,991
Bay County Library System	19,985
Garfield Memorial Library	21,335
Lapeer County Library	24,978
Macomb County Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped	10,426
Northville District Library	14,305
Public Libraries of Saginaw	7,005
Warren Public Library	17,295
Western Wayne Correctional Facility Library	24,205
Funding Area Total	**$164,525**

Regional/Subregional

Downtown Detroit Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped	$12,118
Grand Traverse Area Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped	16,302
Kent District Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped	17,278
Macomb County Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped	19,332
Mideastern Michigan Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped	15,759
Muskegon County Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped	9,555
Northland Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped	16,626
Oakland County Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped	30,597
St. Clair County Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped	11,785
Upper Peninsula Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped	16,988
Washtenaw County Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped	16,826
Wayne County Regional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped	32,084
Funding Area Total	**$215,250**

Regions of Cooperation

Capital Area Library Network, Inc.	$13,035
Detroit Associated Libraries Region of Cooperation	18,140
Macomb Region of Cooperation	15,131
Mid-Michigan Library League Region of Cooperation	9,667
Mideastern Michigan Region of Cooperation	12,370
Northland Interlibrary System	7,009
Oakland Washtenaw Wayne Livingston St. Clair Library Network	37,249
Southern Michigan Region of Cooperation	11,683
Southwest Michigan Library Cooperative Region of Cooperation	11,941
Upper Peninsula Region of Library Cooperation, Inc.	18,936
White Pine Region of Cooperation	13,563
Funding Area Total	**$168,724**

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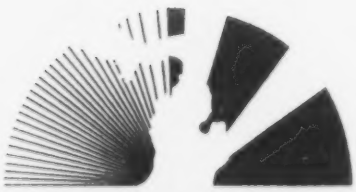

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